

What is claimed is:

Sub A1 > 1. A search system, comprising:
an inputting device inputting specification
information for collectively specifying a plurality
5 of search condition combinations; and
an instructing device instructing an information
search based on the specification information.

2. The search system according to claim 1,
10 wherein said inputting device inputs the
specification information in a form of a table.

Sub A2 > 15 3. The search system according to claim 1,
further comprising
a generating device automatically generating the
plurality of search condition combinations based on
the specification information, wherein
said instructing device instructs an information
search according to the plurality of search condition
20 combinations generated by said generating device.

25 4. The search system according to claim 1,
further comprising
a changing device changing a portion of search
conditions included in the specification

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information, wherein said instructing device instructs a selective information search for the changed portion.

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5. A search system, comprising:

an obtaining device obtaining a plurality of search results for a plurality of search condition combinations; and

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an outputting device collectively outputting output information corresponding to the plurality of search results.

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6. The search system according to claim 5, wherein said outputting device outputs the output information in a form of a table.

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7. The search system according to claim 5, wherein said outputting device switches and outputs at least two or more items of information among the number of hits, a related word, and a search result list, as the output information.

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8. The search system according to claim 5, further comprising

a reflecting device reflecting a search result

regarding a changed portion on the output information when the portion of search conditions included in the plurality of search condition combinations is changed.

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9. The search system according to claim 5,
wherein

10 said outputting device comprises a graph device
outputting graph information which represents the
output information.

15 10. The search system according to claim 9,
wherein said outputting device selectively outputs a
search result list corresponding to a portion of
graph information of the number of hits, when said
graph device outputs the graph information of the
number of hits.

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20 11. A search system, comprising:
an inputting device inputting specification
information for collectively specifying a plurality
of search condition combinations;
a searching device performing an information
search based on the specification information; and
25 an outputting device collectively outputting

output information corresponding to a plurality of search results for the plurality of search condition combinations.

5 12. A computer-readable storage medium on which is recorded a program for causing a computer to execute a process, said process comprising:

inputting specification information for collectively specifying a plurality of search condition combinations; and

instructing an information search based on the specification information.

15 13. A computer-readable storage medium on which is recorded a program for causing a computer to execute a process, said process comprising:

obtaining a plurality of search results for a plurality of search condition combinations; and

20 collectively outputting output information corresponding to the plurality of search results.

14. A search method, comprising:

collectively specifying a plurality of search condition combinations;

25 performing an information search based on

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specified information;

obtaining a plurality of search results for the plurality of search condition combinations; and

collectively outputting output information corresponding to the plurality of search results.

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15. A search system, comprising:

inputting means for inputting specification information for collectively specifying a plurality of search condition combinations; and

instructing means for instructing an information search based on the specification information.

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16. A search system, comprising:

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obtaining means for obtaining a plurality of search results for a plurality of search condition combinations; and

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outputting means for collectively outputting output information corresponding to the plurality of search results.

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